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Sir:

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Since this application is being filed herewith, no fee is due. In addition, references AL, AQ and AR listed on the Form PTO-1449 are Japanese-language references which are discussed in the present application.

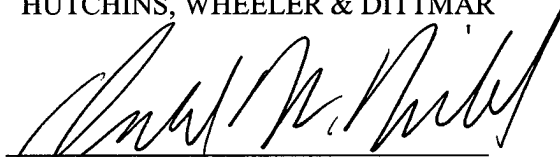
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Should there be any questions after reviewing this paper, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (617) 951-6676.

Respectfully submitted,

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